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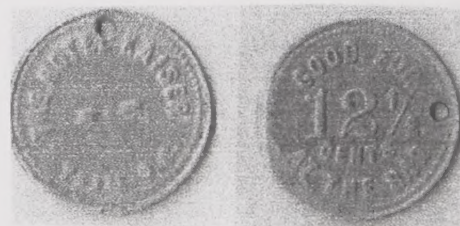
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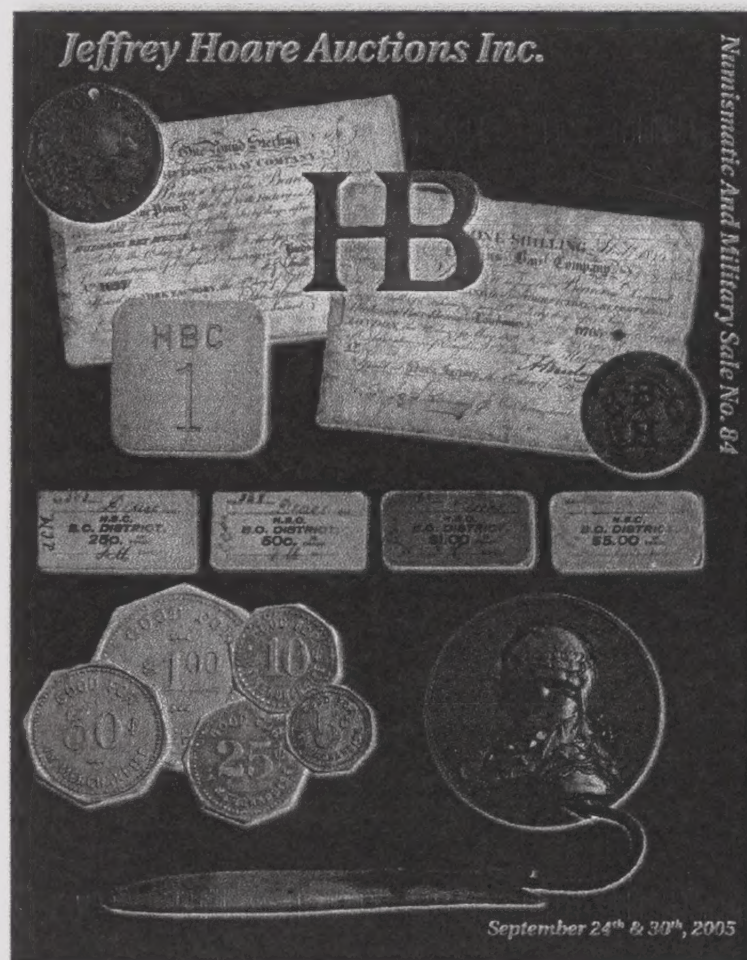
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Trail Creek News, March 19, 1898.



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From the editor

Winter is coming. We had our first snow fall this November but fortunately it is gone for now. The "NC" is a bit early this season so my wife and I can enjoy Christmas in Cape Breton.

We have some good variety this issue. Stephen Oatway has given us an interesting story concerning the business and token of G. E. Stiles of Lloydminster. This village is partly in Saskatchewan and partly in Alberta which makes the token from a location straddling two provinces.

In the September 2012 issue of the "NC", Barrie Renwick was hoping to get information to identify a medal. A second medal turning up in its original case has given him (and us) its location and a bit of historical background.

Tim Grawey gives us a history of the Woodland Dairy of Welland, Ontario. Thanks Tim, it is great to get articles from this part of the province.

Three fine articles from British Columbia have come to us courtesy of Ron Greene. Ron has spent a terrific amount of time covering this province and has supplied us with a terrific amount of good reading over the last several years.

The last year or so I have spent combing throughout Kent County in Ontario digging up info. Information from two cross-road villages from Kent is a small part of my endeavors and hopefully there will be more from this area.

A couple of months ago I was fortunate to acquire three shooting medals from C.A.T.C member Nick Iordache, who sells coins and numismatica at the Aylmer, Ontario flea market, as well as Grand Bend during the summer. I have depicted them here hoping to pick up some comments concerning them. There are also a couple of interesting mavericks depicted. Maybe someone can supply some information on either of these.

It is time to renew our memberships again. Please send in your payment to Len Kuenzig, our secretary-treasurer as soon as possible. Thanks and have a great Christmas and New Year everyone.

G. E. Stiles – Lloydminster

by Stephen Oatway



The token "G. E. Stiles Lloydminster / "Good For 5 Cents In Trade" is a previously unrecorded token. The questions are who was G. E. Stiles, and the more important question for collectors of Alberta and Saskatchewan tokens, is which province does it belong to?

History of Lloydminster

The Lloydminster area was first settled in April 1903 with the arrival of the Barr Colonists from England. It was established as a British utopian community with the vision of sobriety for its citizens and an opposition to non-British settlement.

The Barr Colonists were part of a colonization project set up by Isaac Montgomery Barr and Rev. George Exton Lloyd. They recruited over 2,600 people and sailed for Canada on a former troop carrier designed for less than half that amount. They landed in Saint John, New Brunswick and this is where Barr temporarily went awol, only to reappear in Saskatoon after Lloyd managed to get everybody there. About 1,500 colonists moved on to Lloydminster, named by the settlers after Lloyd.

The newly founded hamlet was located astride the fourth meridian on the North West Territories. When the provinces of Alberta and Saskatchewan were established in 1905, the fourth meridian also became an inter-provincial border and the village of Lloydminster was split in two. The Alberta portion was incorporated as a village in July 1906 and the Saskatchewan portion was incorporated as a town in April 1907. They each had their own municipal council, office and fire department. Common sense prevailed in 1930 and they became a town in both provinces.

George & baseball team, back row 2nd from right



George was the son of Edgar Thomas Stiles and Mary Ann Beaton. He was born in Holland Landing, Ontario, October 15th, 1882.^[1] While their family story shows that he immigrated with his family circa 1884 to Brandon, Manitoba, and then in 1889 to Innisfail, Alberta, he is still actually in the Ontario census for 1891.^[2] Their move West was in 1892.^[3]

From advertisements found in the Lloydminster Times, he opened a pool room and bowling alley on Church Street in April of 1907. There was also a barber shop operated by David Kent,^[4] in conjunction with George's operation. It was the first bowling alley in the village and after its eventual demise, Lloydminster was to be without bowling until Turner & Guest built some lanes as part of their billiard parlour and pool hall operation in 1928. Both businesses were for men only, no ladies permitted.^[5]

In July 1907, after he had been in operation for a few months, he married Jennie May Dodd of Innisfail^[6] and brought his bride back to Lloydminster. He was active in the community and involved in both baseball and hockey. In December 1909, the business was sold to Fred Atkinson^[7] and George and Jennie moved to Innisfail.^[8]



April 1907, Lloydminster Times



Dec. 23, 1909, Lloydminster Times

The missing year of George's life, 1910, is shrouded in a bit of mystery. Family members recollect that he had also been a fur trader during his time in Lloydminster, and that he had also operated a Ford dealership in Rocky Mountain House, but that is based on recollections for which there is no documentation. The recollections also suggest that he married Jenny in 1911, but the documentation shows 1907.

Unrelated to the token, but the next step in George's life was his going to work for his brother. Joel Herbert Stiles had become a pharmacist, opening a drug store in Bassano in 1909, later becoming a Rexall agency in 1912, with branch stores in Jenner, Duchess, and Hussar. George joined his brother in Bassano in March of 1911, eventually becoming the store manager. He and Jenny had three children. Alice Dodd Stiles was born March 1911, Herbert Edmund Stiles, April of 1913, and William Alfred Stiles, September 1917. William who was with the RCAF died in England in 1944. George continued working with his brother until his retirement in 1936.^[9] He later lived at Lawrence Lodge in Calgary, and died June 18th, 1947^[10] and was buried at Queen's Park Cemetery.^[11]

Alberta or Saskatchewan?

Back to the burning question - is it Alberta or Saskatchewan? It is not listed in either Stewart or Tannahill. Church Street was later to become 50th Street, and the bowling alley was about one half block west of 50th Avenue. The latter street being right on the inter-provincial border. Hence the token is Albertan. Later uses for the building was as

an implement agency by Wid Lindsay, and later as a egg buying station operated by Frank Brooker.^[12]

In conversation with Al Munro, we now know that that there is a cancelled version of this token, with the "E. Stiles" of G. E. Stiles ground off. This was probably done by Stiles, so that he would not be responsible for its future acceptance. Another possibility may be that Frank Atkinson, the new owner, removed the name, so that he could continue to use the token.

For the moment we have not one token, but two new Albertan R10 tokens. Interesting to note that the Stiles token was probably in the hands of, if not in the collection of, an early Canadian numismatist and researcher. Judge W. A. D. Lee of "Ships, Colonies & Commerce" fame, had his law office in Lloydminster at the same time that Stiles was in operation.^[13]

Footnote:

¹ Mary Stiles <http://familytreemaker.genealogy.com/users/s/t/i/Paul-A-Stiles-ON/WEBSITE-0001/UHP-0420.html>

² Mary Stiles <http://familytreemaker.genealogy.com/users/s/t/i/Paul-A-Stiles-ON/WEBSITE-0001/UHP-0420.html>

³ "Joel Stiles obit" *The Calgary Herald*, 27 Aug 1957 p33

⁴ Fred Atkinson advertisement, *Lloydminster Times*, 23 Dec 1909 p1

⁵ "Hockey" James A. Hill <https://bay169.mail.live.com/default.aspx?id=64855#!/mail/ViewOfficePreview.aspx?messageid=edafa8ce-ab4a-11e1-be5f-001e0bcc07ce&folderid=66666666-6666-6666-6666-666666666666&attindex=0&cp=-1&attdepth=0&n=1738563072>

⁶ *The Sunday New*, Edmonton 3 Aug 1907 p4

⁷ Fred Atkinson advertisement, *Lloydminster Times*, 23 Dec 1909 p1

⁸ *Bowden News*, 4 Nov 1909 p9

⁹ "The George Edgar Stiles Family" by May G. Stiles

¹⁰ "George E. Stiles Obit", *The Calgary Herald* 18 June 1947

¹¹ Queen's Park Cemetery Records <http://www.afhs.ab.ca/data/cemeteries/search.php>

¹² "Hockey" James A. Hill <https://bay169.mail.live.com/default.aspx?id=64855#!/mail/ViewOfficePreview.aspx?messageid=edafa8ce-ab4a-11e1-be5f->

¹³ W. A. D. Lees Advertisement, *Lloydminster Times*, 4 Feb 1909 p1

Medal Identified

The identity of the CSAA medal in “A Call for Help” (Sept 2012 p. 128) was uncovered when a second example turned up recently; this one is in its original case embossed Canadian Seaford Athletic Association.”

During the years 1914- 1920 Seaford Military Camp, in Sussex, England, was a Canadian Military Forces training area, and Headquarters for the Canadian Engineers Training Centre and the Canadian Machine Gun Depot. It was also a staging area for troops returning home after hostilities. The CSAA was formed there as an athletic entity to help troops maintain their physical fitness and relieve ennui. Baseball seems to have been one of the preferred sports activities at CSAA; other information with each of the medals mentioned connects them to this sport.

These 25 mm CSAA medals, being gold and limited to Canadian military personnel, are likely scarce, but few collectors specialize in sports medals awarded to military members, so the premium for their collector value might be modest.

Submitted by Barrie Renwick.



The Tufts & Sons Woodland Dairy of Welland

By Tim Grawey

Note: the surname was originally spelled Tuft and over the years has evolved to Tufts. Whether this was mistaken grammar or deliberate is difficult to say. Current members of the family all use the Tufts spelling. I have used this spelling throughout this article to avoid any confusion.

After a life spanning over ninety one years, community leader, politician, war veteran and entrepreneur are just a few of the characteristics that can be attributed to Wallace Tufts. Born on November 18, 1848 in Welland, Ontario, Wallace was predeceased by a brother Walter who died in infancy but was soon joined by a sister Sarah Jane (McCabe) and brother John who would eventually relocate to California.

Wallace's father, James born in New York State was one of the earliest settlers of Welland County in Ontario. James had multiple business interests including lumbering prior to the construction of the Welland Canal in 1829, hotel owner, contractor and farming.

Wallace attended common and high school in Welland Ontario. He would acquire land listed as lot 21 Concession 6 in Crowland Township, Welland County where he operated a farm. Crowland Township would be merged into the City of Welland and in 1970 Welland County and Lincoln County were amalgamated to form the Region of Niagara. Niagara Region is situated between Lakes Erie and Ontario. The City of Welland is located about ten kilometers north of Lake Erie on the Welland Canal.

Once a formidable industrial city, Welland has proven to be somewhat resilient by weathering several major factory closures over the past few years. The Welland Canal and proximity to electric power in Niagara Falls no longer provide the vibrant economic stimulus they once did. The current Welland Canal no longer intersects the heart of the City but crosses Welland at it's eastern urban boundary. The old canal no longer in use has been transformed into a recreational waterway hosting rowing and canoeing events.

Wallace Tufts was a complex man. In addition to his farming operation he bred Leicester and Shropshire Sheep and shorthorn cattle. An adherent of the Church of England, he married Maria Hanna of Crowland Township on July 3, 1872. Their marriage bore nine children (James b. June 22, 1873, Charlotte b. January 18, 1875, Irena b. April 9, 1877, George b. February 26, 1881, William b. June 26, 1883, Elva b. November 17, 1885, Addie b. June 18, 1889, Stanley b. June 26, 1889, Curtis b. May 1, 1893). This large number of children would prove a valuable asset as helpers and partners in his farm and dairy operation.

Tufts' political career began at the young age of 32 in 1870 when he was elected to Crowland Township Council. He was re-elected again in 1871, 1872 and 1873 with the last two being by acclamation as reeve. His contributions included helping the county council in settlement of the marsh lands and resolving registry office difficulties.

His community leadership included director of the Welland County Agricultural Society, president of the Welland County Board of Agriculture and membership in the Netherby Union Agricultural Society. He initiated the annual farmer's picnic on the Civic Holiday where farming families from all over Welland County would congregate every year.

Tufts was also very proud of his participation in the Fenian Raids and in particular of the medal he was awarded. He was a Sergeant in the 44th Battalion (Welland-Lincoln Regiment).

A highly skilled hunter in his youth, an article in the Welland-Port Colborne Evening Tribune on April 16, 1938 at the time of his death, recounts Wallace telling a story of returning from a hunt with his uncle, James Braley with a one hundred pound bear cub slung over his shoulders.

Tufts' home, farm and dairy operation were located on Concession 6 & 7 lot 21 in Crowland Township, Welland County. Currently, this location would be on Ontario Road, well within the urban boundary of the City of Welland. Very little is known about Tufts & Sons Woodland Dairy. The fact that the dairy name was Tufts & Sons would indicate that his sons not only worked at the dairy but were considered partners.

The accompanying newspaper notice from 1911 is evidence that the dairy was operating at this time. Census records from 1901 and 1911 show Wallace and his family with Wallace declaring his occupation as farmer and two of his sons, George and Stanley listed as carpenters with remaining sons recorded as farmers. Family members do not list the dairy as an occupation or form of livelihood. What surprised me was that Wallace Tufts was named as the enumerator for the 1901 and 1911 censuses for his district in Crowland Township. Of course these census records are handwritten and not always legible. Whether Wallace being the enumerator meant that his own family census records were more likely to be accurate is difficult to say however as a business person and community organizer one would presume that he would take extra care to ensure their accuracy. The fact that no other newspaper advertisements for the dairy could be located and the dairy operation was not listed in either 1901 or 1911 census or business directories of the time leads me to believe that Tufts may have considered the farm his primary business and the dairy a sub business of the farm. These factors would also indicate that the dairy operation was a short lived enterprise.

Two tokens were issued good for one pint and one quart, both being inscription only. They read:

THE WOODLAND / DAIRY / TUFTS & SON / WELLAND, ONT
GOOD FOR /1/ PINT/ OF MILK

& SON'S / WOODLAND / DAIRY
GOOD FOR / 1 / QUART

While described and a "mover and a shaker" in his prime, it seems that Wallace Tufts had the secret to a long life. After dying following surgery for gangrene on April 11, 1938, the Evening Tribune states, "Mr. Tufts was not only a man of varied rugged experiences but one who had never smoked nor taken liquor and who had lived a happy married life for 65 years." Wallace Tufts, survived by his wife Maria was laid to rest in Doan's Ridge Cemetery in what is now Welland.

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Vernon's 1919 Welland Directory.



MILK GOES UP.

To the Tribune:

On account of the high price of feed and labor we the undersigned milk dealers of the town of Welland have decided to raise the price of milk to eight cents per quart for the winter season to take effect on Nov.

16th.

(Signed)

Wallace Tuft & Sons.

Martin Bros.

Gaiser Bros.

The Hotel Kaiser of Trail, B.C.

Ronald Greene



Aluminum: Round: 24 mm

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A token, described as Hotel Kaiser, Trail, B.C. was listed in the Low/Naftel Sale of March 1904, lot 190. There was no indication of the denomination. For over a century this token remained unknown, and several of us kept asking, did this token exist or was it an incorrect listing? In March 2013 I decided to start researching the Hotel Kaiser and its purported builder, Fred Kaiser, in the hope of learning whether there really was such a hotel. I hadn't been researching Trail for more than a couple of months when what should appear on eBay, but a Hotel Kaiser token. Of course, it had to come up for sale in a week that I didn't check eBay, but several wolves were after it, and I might have just run in the middle of the pack even if I had seen it. Despite its condition it was avidly pursued.

In June or late May 1896 Fred Kaiser purchased land opposite Trail House,¹ which was the first or pioneer hotel in Trail. The original Trail House had been built c. 1891 by the founders of Trail, Eugene Sayre Topping and Frank Hanna but was washed away in the great flood of 1894. It was rebuilt, further away from the river, and opened by the end of 1894. Kaiser's plans were to build a 30' x 70' three-story hotel.² It was reported two weeks later that W.T. Kaake, contractor and builder, had begun work on the hotel.³ The Hotel Kaiser was opened to the public on the night of August 27, 1896. The building was said to be one of the most attractive buildings in Trail.⁴

Fred Kaiser, like many others who came to the Kootenays in these early days was attracted by the lure of minerals; gold, silver, and copper. In December 1896 he purchased "a two thirds interest in the Copper Belt, on Beaver creek, a half mile northwest from the Nelson and North [sic Fort] Sheppard railroad."⁵

In early January 1897 Kaiser purchased the building adjoining the hotel with the intention of remodelling the building to increase the accommodations of his hotel.⁶ A special issue of the *Trail Creek News* in March 1897 said that the hotel was 2-1/2 stories high and had thirty bedrooms, a fine dining room and a first-class bar.⁷ Kaiser started work on the annex to the hotel in March 1897. He added a second story to the new annex, and had plans to add electrical lighting to both parts.⁸ The following month the hotel keepers of Trail, "organized for their mutual protection and for business and social advancement."⁹ Fred Kaiser was president, S.F. Petersen of the Crown Point Hotel was vice-president, E.S. Topping of the Trail House was secretary and Leland Spencer of the Arlington Hotel, treasurer.

In August 1897 Fred Kaiser purchased a Regina music box for the hotel. "It cost about \$450.00 and can be made to play any tune desired. There is nothing too good for the guests at Kaiser's."¹⁰ The next issue of the newspaper noted that Fred Kaiser celebrated his 59th birthday. The last regular ad for the Hotel Kaiser, with Fred Kaiser as proprietor, ran on January 8, 1898. In April of that year he left for Fort Steele, where he had erected a large brewery in association

with Fred Sick, formerly of the Trail Brewery. The Hotel Kaiser had been leased to Mr. and Mrs. Howell of Spokane.¹¹ Howell had the hotel painted and flew a large flag bearing the word, "Kaiser" from the hotel's flagstaff. Towards the end of the year D. Behrnds rented the dining room of the hotel. Mrs. Kaiser and daughter, Frieda, visited Trail in February. Howell decided not to renew the lease in 1899 and was planning to move to Rossland.¹² The Kaisers returned from Fort Steele and resumed management of the hotel. An ad in April said that the hotel had room for 150 guests and was the largest in town. In June, daughter Elsie came home from school in Spokane, and in November Mrs. Fred Kaiser, of Greenwood, was visiting friends in Trail, indicating that she was already living in the Boundary country, then the most active mining scene at the time.



KAISER HOTEL, TRAIL, B. C.

Trail Creek News, March 19, 1898, p. 2

By 1900 Fred Kaiser was running the Kaiser Hotel in Eholt,¹³ a railway switch point north of Greenwood and Phoenix, and Mrs. Augusta Kaiser¹⁴ was a boarding house keeper at the B.C. Mine, at Summit. Unfortunately issues of the *Trail Creek News* have not survived from 1900 to 1903 inclusive, so we lost a bit of the trail for four years. Directories indicate that John M. Henley was the proprietor of the Kaiser Hotel for a year (1900-1901) and Mrs. J.L. O'Brien ran it the following year. However by 1902 Mrs. O'Brien was the proprietor of the Arlington Hotel (rooms) and there was no listing for the Kaiser. The hotel may have been closed, as Trail was experiencing a quiet period.

July 1904 saw the following two mentions in the same issue of the newspaper, "Mr. Kaiser, of Poplar, formerly of Trail, is visiting in the city this week," and "Mr. Kaiser, while in

town this week, disposed of his property, the Kaiser Hotel, to Mr. Geo. White. Mr. White has every confidence in Trail and expects soon to see this, one of the best towns in B.C.”¹⁵

When the Globe Hotel was destroyed by fire in October 1904, John Morrow who had been operating the Globe, took over the Kaiser. Morrow vacated the Kaiser in November 1906 and opened up a lodging house in the former St. Louis hotel.¹⁶ The Kaiser Hotel in Poplar burnt down in February 1905.¹⁷ Poplar or Poplar Creek was in the Lardeau country east of Trout Lake. Some very rich free-milling gold quartz was found in the district c. 1902 or 1903.¹⁸

George White ran the following ad in January 1907 after Morrow vacated. “For sale or to lease – Kaiser hotel, Trail, cheap and on easy terms, 20 bed rooms, bar, dining room, kitchen, etc., lately occupied by John Morrow. – Apply to G.A. White, Trail.”¹⁹ Thirteen months later it was noted that, “The Kaiser house on the Bowery is being torn down by G.A. White.”²⁰ Undoubtedly, like many other buildings built of raw lumber, it was worn out at a dozen years of age.

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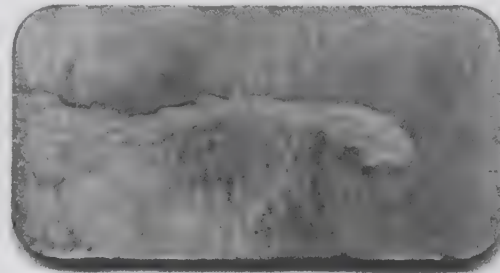
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- ¹ This would put the site of the hotel on what was then called the Bowery. Later it was renamed Dewdney Lane in honour of Edgar Dewdney of Dewdney Trail fame, and Lieut.-Governor of B.C. in the mid 1890's. The Bowery was half a block closer to the river than Bay Avenue, parallel to it and about half the width.
 - ² *Trail Creek News*, June 5, 1896, p. 3
 - ³ *Trail Creek News*, June 19, 1896, p. 3. Mr. Kaake and his partner later ran the Commercial Hotel in Cranbrook and issued a token while doing so (C7510a). See *Numismatica Canada*, 2011, p. 77
 - ⁴ *Trail Creek News*, August 28, 1896, p. 3
 - ⁵ *Trail Creek News*, December 18, 1896, p.5
 - ⁶ *Trail Creek News*, January 8, 1897, p. 4
 - ⁷ *Commercial History of Trail*, *Trail Creek News*, March 1, 1897, hotels start on p. 25. The Hotel Kaiser is mentioned on p. 27
 - ⁸ *Trail Creek News*, March 12, 1897, p. 5 and March 26, 1897, p. 4
 - ⁹ *Trail Creek News*, April 16, 1897, p. 7
 - ¹⁰ *Trail Creek News*, August 27, 1897, p. 3
 - ¹¹ *Trail Creek News*, April 16, 1898, p. 1
 - ¹² *Trail Creek News*, February 25, 1899, p. 3. This was according to the newspaper, but he doesn't appear there in the next two editions of the B.C. Directory.
 - ¹³ *Henderson's British Columbia Gazetteer and Directory and Mining Companies, with which is consolidated the Williams' British Columbia Directory for 1900-1901*, Henderson Publishing Company, LL, Victoria and Vancouver, July 1900., p. 258
 - ¹⁴ *Canada Census 1901*. The surname of both Fred Kaiser and his wife, Augusta, was spelled Keiser. This is the only time that spelling has been used and we believe it was a misspelling by the enumerator.
 - ¹⁵ *Trail Creek News*, July 30'04 p. 4
 - ¹⁶ *Trail News*, November 24, 1906. p. 4. The newspaper dropped the word “Creek” from its name as of November 19, 1904.
 - ¹⁷ *Trail News*, February 18, 1905, p. 4
 - ¹⁸ *Annual Report of the Minister of Mines for the year ending 1903*, King's Printer, Victoria, B.C. p. 109
 - ¹⁹ *Trail News*, January 26'07 p. 4
 - ²⁰ *Trail News*, February 29'08 p. 4

Mountain View Ranch of Creston, B.C.

Ronald Greene



BC Token Database C8881b)



CApi: Re: 60 x 31.5: uniface

This cardboard token for One Quart, was acquired with two medals awarded to W.V. Jackson in 1918 and 1919 at the Creston Fall Fair for dairy cows. Jackson had come to the Creston Valley in 1904. He had a ranch at Erickson, but ran dairy ads targeting Creston, and some other ads giving his address as Creston so we've attributed the piece to Creston. According to the obituary when he died his widow was living at Erickson which is about 5 km east of Creston. He had to be using the card pieces at the beginning, otherwise how could he compute 7 quarts of milk per \$1.00? Since he offered 14 pints of milk for \$1.00, pint card tokens also were likely used.

The first Mountain View Ranch Dairy ad appeared in the *Creston Review* of January 7, 1921, as did the following short mention, "Walter V. Jackson is this week embarking in the milk business in Creston and announces that starting yesterday he will make regular deliveries of milk that will measure up to the highest standards as to quality and purity, several of his dairy animals being purebred Jerseys. He is selling at seven quarts or fourteen pints for \$1."¹

MILK!

**Mountain View
Ranch Dairy**

will DELIVER MILK
daily in Creston on and
after January 6th.

PRICE:
7 Quarts for \$1.00

I solicit your patronage.
Barns open for inspection any
day except Sunday.

WALTER V. JACKSON

The Creston Review
January 7, 1921, p. 1

**MILK from Mountain View
Dairy Ranch**

- it is produced under sanitary conditions;
- is rich in butter fat;
- is free from the germ of tuberculosis.

Read this:

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

This is to certify that I have tested the herd of Mr. Walter Jackson for tuberculosis, and find them free.

R. B. ILSLEY
Prov. Vt. Inspector

Creston, Jan. 22, 1921.

It is my intention to give you the best in quality and service. Same price the year round.

7 Quarts or 14 Pints \$1.00. Cream, 30c. Pint

WALTER V. JACKSON

The Creston Review
February 4, 1921, p. 8

Mr. Jackson did not remain in the dairy industry for very long, for in May 1922 the following appeared, "Commencing last Tuesday the milk delivery business in Creston was taken over by A. Comfort, who has purchased the herd and equipment of W.V. Jackson. Creston is most fortunate in having the local dairy business get into such competent hands as the new owner. Prior to coming to Creston Mr. Comfort was in charge of the Crystal Dairy at Blairmore, Alta., and in addition to supplying that town also had the trade of the sanitarium at Frank, and enjoyed an excellent reputation of giving his patrons the highest quality of milk and cream with an unexcelled delivery service. In going into the dairy business in Creston it is Mr. Comfort's intention to give the same high class service, and to start with has inaugurated the regulation early morning delivery, with a lowering of the price to eight quarts for \$1. to ticket buyers."²

Walter Vincent Jackson was born in England in 1880. He came to Canada as a 14 year old in 1894, settling in Portage la Prairie, Manitoba. He served in South Africa during the Boer War, and stayed there as a military policemen for several years after the war, then moved to the Creston area. In Creston he became a farmer, raising fruit and dairy cattle. In 1919 he advertised his services for fall ploughing, using his new Cleveland Tractor. After he sold the dairy Mr. Jackson concentrated on growing fruit, and remained a fruit grower for the rest of his working life. He was active in the community, serving as the president of the Fruit Growers Union, the Farmers' Institute, and was often a judge at fall fairs. Mr. Jackson passed away August 12, 1963, at the age of 82, survived by his widow, two sons and a daughter.³ He was predeceased in 1940 by a brother, Frank H. Jackson, who issued tokens (C8860) in Creston.⁴

¹ *Creston Review*, January 7, 1921, p. 5

² *Creston Review*, May 19, 1922, p. 8

³ *Creston Review*, August 15, 1963, p. 1

⁴ Ronald Greene, *Some Tokens of Creston, B.C.*, Transactions, 1999, p. 99

New Finds

Port Credit Ontario Peel County

Bakery Token

W. STUMPF, / BAKER / KEYSTONE BAKERY / PORT CREDIT.

GOOD FOR / * 1 * / LOAF OF BREAD

A-Re-19x32

From Vince Chiappino, 12th September, 2013

Ferguson's Crossing, Ontario Middlesex County

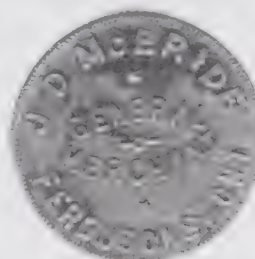
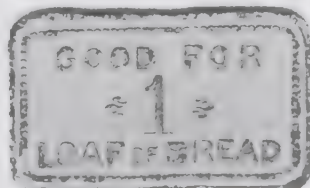
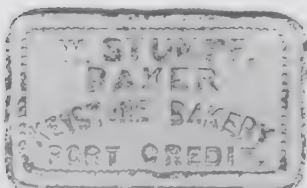
Due Bill Token

J. D. McBRIDE / ☆ / GENERAL / MERCHANT / ☆ / FERGUSONS, ONT.

GOOD / FOR 10 CTS. / TRADE

B-R-25

A \$1.00 token is listed for this business. From Harry N. James, 10th November, 2013. Thanks to Ron Binder.



The Aquatic Cigar Store and Robert N. Johnston, of Vancouver, B.C.

Ronald Greene



B.C. Database U0510b

Aluminum: Round : 21.2 mm

Robert Nelson “Bob” Johnston was, “An all-round athlete, but he achieved greatest fame as an oarsman. As amateur and professional, he took part in 56 major contests, losing only two.” When Roy W. Brown wrote these words in Bob Johnston’s obituary he also called Johnston the most noted sportsman of the pioneer era in Vancouver.¹

Johnston was born in Elmsville, New Brunswick, on April 6, 1868, son of John Alexander Johnston and Annie McRae.² He came west to Vancouver in 1889 and may have been the Robert Johnston listed as a boat builder at the foot of Carrall Street for 1890 and 1891.³ For the next two years the only Robert Johnston was shown as a carpenter. In 1894 R.N. Johnston was working for the Oyster Bay Restaurant and living at Linton’s Boat House.⁴ Brown states that Johnston represented the Burrard Rowing Club and won the amateur championship of B.C. and the Pacific Coast in this period. He then went to Toronto and trained at the Argonaut Club with the renowned Ned Hanlon. In 1896 he returned to Vancouver and won a match race with Dr. McDowell of Chicago, the leading U.S. amateur. About this time Johnston turned professional. His professional career lasted only until 1899 when he broke an arm and collarbone in a cycling accident. Although he entered into the business world by 1900 he coached oarsmen as late as 1929, including the very successful Ned Pratt and Noel de Mille.

What could probably be called Bob Johnston’s most famous race was when he challenged Jake Gaudaur of Orillia, Ontario, the reigning world champion sculler.⁵ The race took place over a three miles – out and back over a one and a half mile course – in Vancouver harbour on July 4, 1898. Gaudaur got off to a good start, leading by two boat lengths at the first mile. Precautions had been taken to keep the water clear of floating debris by stretching two booms along the course, but despite this Johnston was said to have lost two more boat lengths tangling with some driftwood. Johnston cut the margin at the buoy by steering better than Gaudaur at the turn, but an encounter with another log cost him more time and Gaudaur was able to hold the lead until he crossed the the finish time. Gaudaur’s winning time was 20 minutes 25 4/5^{ths} seconds.⁶ Johnston’s method of training was to race the North Vancouver ferry across the harbour both ways!

Johnston’s fame as a sculler is an obvious tie-in to the name “Aquatic Cigar Store” which appears on the token, but we did not find the name Aquatic Cigar Store anywhere in any of the directories or in the City of Vancouver Business License Register.⁷ All the directory listings just showed Robert Johnston, or Robert N. Johnston as a tobacconist. At first, in 1900, he was located at 327 Cambie Street, but in 1909 he was at 734 Pender West and 327 Cambie. The Dominion Building at the corner of Hastings and Cambie was under construction about then, and



Royal BC Museum, BC Archives i-51661

Courtesy of the BC Archives. Note the four medals of Johnston's chest in this studio portrait

this may have forced him to move.⁸ When Bob Johnston married Sadie Stone in November 1908 the ceremony was held at his home at 732 Pender W.⁹

About 1918 Johnston ventured into the wholesale cigar business as well. He incorporated a company, R.N. Johnston & Co. Limited, in September 1921.¹⁰ He took on a partner, Weston Higbie, who acquired half of the company. In 1925 the company was sold to Frederick William Crawford's Vancouver Tobacco Co., Limited and Johnston became the manager of the new operation. He retired in 1936 and passed away August 9, 1951. He was survived by two brothers, one in Vancouver, one in Langley, and a sister in Vancouver. A brother, Stewart, who was also a tobacconist in Vancouver predeceased him as did his wife and there was no mention of children.

9 October 2013

¹ *Vancouver Sun*, August 10, 1951, p. 3

² GR-2951, British Columbia, Division of Vital Statistics, Death Registration 51-09-007546, microfilm B13209

³ *Henderson's B.C. Directory, for 1890*, published January 1890, p. 331, and *for 1891*, p. 425

⁴ *William's B.C. Directory, for 1894*, p. 506. The Oyster Bay Restaurant of Bower and Gaydon appears only in classified section

⁵ A single scull is a rowing boat used in the sport of competitive rowing. It is designed for a single person who propels the boat with two oars, one in each hand.

⁶ *Victoria Colonist*, July 5, 1898, p. 3

⁷ City of Vancouver Archives, Record 383, Business Licenses, Volume 126-A-2. Generally the tobacco license records gave the operator's name, rather than the shop name.

⁸ According to Canada's Historic Places, the Dominion Building was placed on the Registry in January 2008. The citation on www.Historicplaces.ca states, "Designed in 1908-1910 by architect J. S. Helyer, it was, at the time, the highest building in the British Empire with a height of 147 feet, 6 inches, until the nearby Sun Tower (100 West Pender Street) rose in 1911-1912. To a steel-framed Chicago-style high rise, Helyer added classical columns, Sullivanesque detailing above the tenth floor, and a Second Empire curved mansard roof. The interior design was even more unusual: a central core design with a ten-storey spiral staircase. ..."

⁹ GR2962 British Columbia, Division of Vital Statistics, Marriage Registration 08-09-055085, microfilm B11374

¹⁰ GR1526 British Columbia, Registrar of Companies, BC6011, microfilm B5253

The 2014 RCNA Convention Committee has scheduled the CATC meeting for Saturday, August 16 from 2 pm - 4 pm. It is planned for the South Studio 1 Room in the Delta Meadowvale hotel where the RCNA convention will be held.

This message from Paul Johnson, Executive secretary, Royal Canadian Numismatic Association.

Store and Tokens of Harvey J. O'Beay, Dawn Mills, Ontario

By Harry N. James FCNRS

Two tokens are known from the tiny hamlet of Dawn Mills in Kent County which is located about 5 km east of Dresden. These are aluminum, octagonal 5¢ and 1¢ tokens which are 22 mm and 19 mm in diameter respectively. They were issued by Harvey O'Beay.

The beginning of Dawn Mills came about in the 1820s when William Taylor received a land grant of 100 acres of undeveloped land along Bear Creek (now Sydenham River) from Col Thomas Talbot. Here he built a grist mill. The Sydenham waterway was at that time the only means of transportation from that part of Kent County to the Detroit area. His land grant was eventually expanded to 1,000 acres along the north shore of Bear Creek. Taylor eventually opened a general store, a lumber mill and a ship yard. The village of Dawn Mills grew up around his various businesses.

In 1836, A. B. Baxter became a partner in Taylor's store which was the first in the community. By the mid 1800s when the railways were being established, the Taylor family was unsuccessful in having a line come through Dawn Mills. The local business and economy suffered as a result. At its heyday, the village had six streets, 3 hotels, a church, the store and the mills with a population of 100. By the mid 1800s Dawn Mills was already a ghost town.

The general store in Dawn Mills continued for a good number of years even after the decline. By 1876 William A. Ward was operating the store. By 1891 the store and post office were in the hands of W. A. Moir and J. D. Moir. Later only W. A. Moir is listed. He was succeeded by Harvey J. O'Beay in 1906. The *Chatham Daily Planet* of January 26th 1906 in the "District Doings" column stated that Harvey O'Beay of Thamesville was to open a general store in Dawn Mills. A couple of days later the column stated that Harvey O'Beay and his family have removed to Dawn Mills, where Mr. O'Beay will conduct a general store. In 1908, Mr. O'Beay is still listed as the owner of the general store but by 1911 Harvey O'Beay had passed away. He left a young widow, Mable and three sons, Morrice, born in 1901, Jack, born in 1903 and Norman, born in 1906. At this time Edith O'Beay, a sister of Harvey's was working at the general store as a saleslady.

Shortly after Harvey's death, the store burned but was re-built by Mrs. O'Beay. Mable later married a John Gifford and they sold the store to Mr. and Mrs. J. Wilson. The post office was discontinued in 1918 and today there is no business operating in Dawn Mills.



Sources:

Thoonen, Elsie, *County Scenes - The Hamlets, Sketches of Old Kent*, Chamberlin Mercury Printing, Chatham, Ont. 2000.

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Canada Census for 1911

Various Kent County Directories, 1891, 1896, 1903, 1906



Dawn Mills Store possibly from the time of Harvey O'Beay

Picture thanks to Kent County Library, Dresden

Joseph Hopper, General Merchant, Coatsworth, Ontario

By Harry N. James FCNRS

Coatsworth, Ontario is located in Romney Township of Kent County on the old Pere Marquette Rail Road. It is about 20 miles south-west of Chatham. The population in 1903 was 150. In its early days it was known as Coatsworth Station. Caleb Coatsworth was a postmaster during the early 1890s and the village was named for that family. During that time a W. Dunbar was running a store and the area was referred to as just Romney.

By 1895 Thomas Robinson & Co. were operating a general store here and L. S. Coatsworth was postmaster. In 1899 Joseph Hopper who had come from England in 1881, was operating the general store. Thomas Robinson was listed as postmaster.

Joseph Hopper spent several years in the general store. By 1918 he was still in business and was also postmaster. In that year a second general store was being operated by William Beattie and Richard Clarkson and James Geddes were both listed as merchants in the village. Joseph Hopper's business was still operating into the 1920s but in 1927 he was listed just as postmaster.

The store continued for many years but is now (2013) a private residence.

During the time Joseph Hopper was operating the store, he made use of due bill tokens. The tokens were in the denomination of from 1¢ to a dollar, made of aluminum, round in shape and ranged from 18 mm in diameter for the cent to 35 mm for the dollar.

J. HOPPER / GENERAL / MERCHANT / COATSWORTH

GOOD FOR / 1.00 / IN MERCHANDISE	A-R-35
GOOD FOR / 50 / IN MERCHANDISE	A-R-30
GOOD FOR / 25 / IN MERCHANDISE	A-R-28
GOOD FOR / 10 / IN MERCHANDISE	A-R-25
GOOD FOR / 5 / IN MERCHANDISE	A-R-20
GOOD FOR / 1 / IN MERCHANDISE	A-R-18

The tokens were in use at least as early as 1903 as they were listed by W. R. McColl in his sales list of that year. The tokens were given the listing number 277 in his sale.

According to the Canada Census for 1901, Joseph Hopper had been born in 1867 and had emigrated from England in 1881. He was married to Emily Hopper, born in 1874 and they had three sons, Stanley, Lloyd and John as well as a daughter, Flossie. Living with them and probably working in the store, was a sister of Mr. Hopper, Mary.



Former store of Joseph Hopper in Coatsworth. Photo taken 9th October, 2013.



5¢ and 1¢ due bill tokens of J. Hopper.

Daniel's Hotel, Prescott

by Harry N. James FCNRS

The following description comes from the *History of Leeds and Grenville* by Thad W. Leavitt, Recorder Press, Brockville, 1879.

Prominent among the leading hotels of Central Canada is that kept by L. H. Daniels of Prescott. Many years of experience, coupled with an aptitude for the business and an honest pride in not being eclipsed by competitors, has conspired to make Daniel's Hotel a favorite with the general public. Situated very conveniently to the ferry, and but a short distance from the railway depot, it affords every convenience to travellers. It has long been a favorite resort for American tourists, who are among the best judges as to the merits of an hotel, and thoroughly appreciate the courtesy with which all guests are invariably treated by Mr. Daniels and his assistants.

During the past year the hotel has been remodelled and changes highly advantageous brought about. The dining hall, sitting room, billiard parlors, office and sample room, upon the first flat, are elegant and commodious. In every department the maxim that "Order is heaven's first law," is acted upon, the result being a model hostelry. Mr. Freeman I. Daniels is the gentlemanly manager, and with the commercial public numbers a host of friends.

L. H. Daniels is still listed with his hotel in 1896 by R. G. Dun and as late as 1905-06, Union Publishing Co.s Gazetteer and Directory for the Province of Ontario lists A. E. Daniels with a hotel in Prescott.

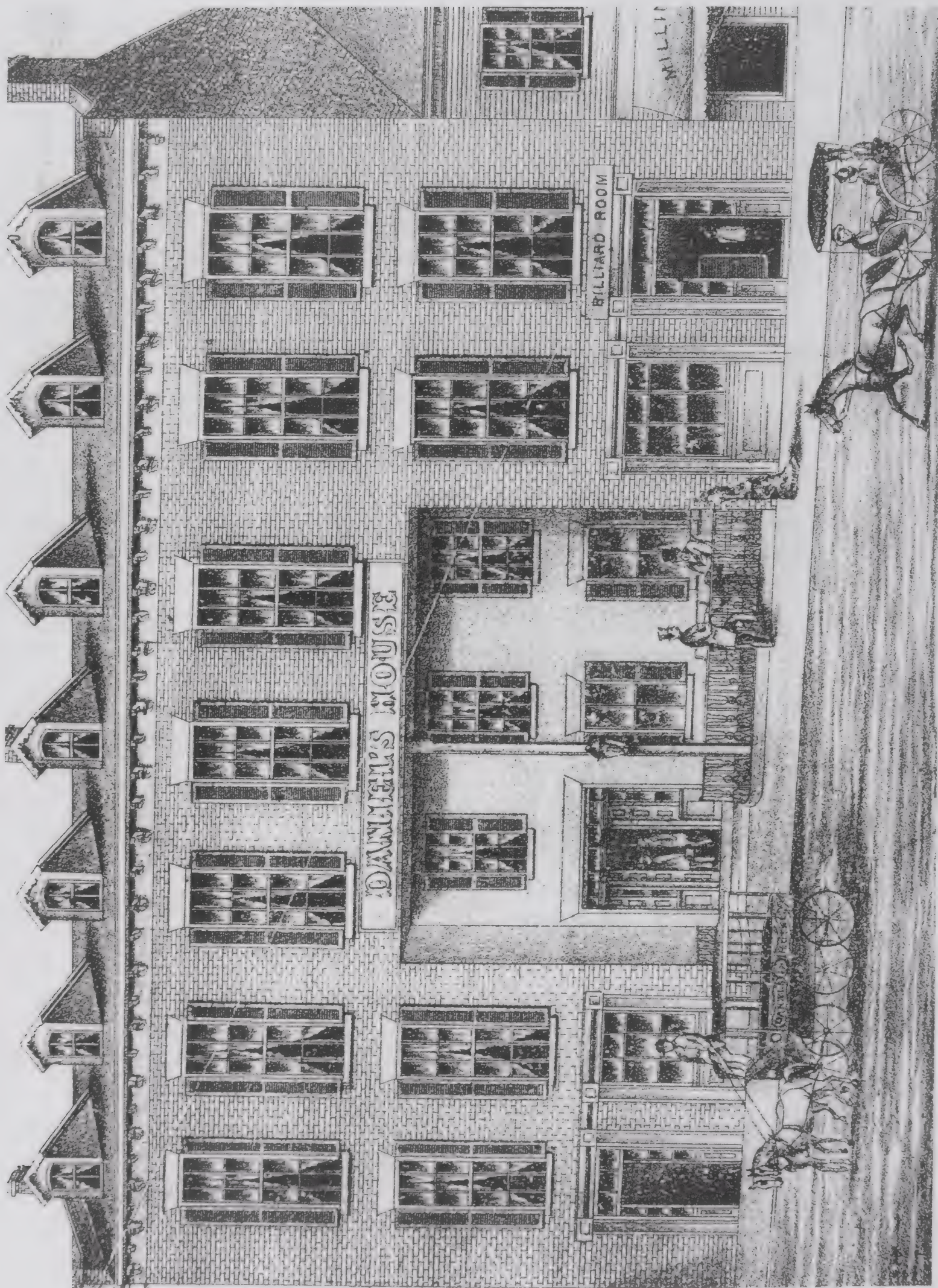
A token good for 5¢ in trade was used by Daniel's Hotel while it was probably under the ownership of L. H. Daniels. The token is of brass, round and 25 mm in diameter.

DANIEL'S HOTEL / PRESCOTT

GOOD FOR / 5¢ / IN TRADE

B-R-25





An Interesting Trio of Shooting Medals

contributed by Harry N. James FCNRS

The depicted three medals are listed by LeRoux in his *Canadian Coin Cabinet* of 1892. The first two are LeRoux 1600. The illustration shown in LeRoux's book shows the signature of Elkington & Co., Regent St., London on the reverse below the date. This signature is missing on both of these specimens.

The third medal is as LeRoux 1601, although, the reverse has been engraved - CITY - OF - GUELPH - - W. R. A. . 1926 . with which what is I believe the arms of the City of Guelph as the main theme.

I have never seen a specimen of the medal depicted by LeRoux, however, the reverse design appears to be also engraved. Possibly other specimens have turned up bearing different reverses.

All of these medals were obviously in continuous use at least into the mid to late 1920s as these three are all named and dated.



Inscribed on edge: - WON BY LIEUT J. E. FOREMAN 2ND P.L.A. AND ? H.

The suspension loop was added after the inscription and obliterates part of the lettering.



Inscribed on edge: - CAPTAIN J. E. FOREMAN REGTL MATCHES 1928



This medal is signed on the obv. by P.w. Ellis & Co. just below the soldier. The inscription surrounding the arms - CITY OF GUELPH above and W.R.A. 1929 below. On edge: - LIEUT J. E. FOREMAN (A. AND S. H.) OF C.



1600

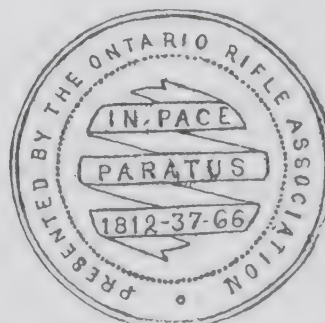


1600. Avers: Armes du Canada avec deux soldats se donnant la main. VIS UNITA FORTIOR. Rev.: PRESENTED BY THE DOMINION OF CANADA. RIFLE ASSOCIATION, 1868. ELKINGTON & CO., REGENT ST., LONDON. Diamètre 28, rareté 5.

1600. Obv.: Arms of Canada with two soldiers shaking hands. VIS UNITA FORTIOR. Rev.: PRESENTED BY THE DOMINION OF CANADA. RIFLE ASSOCIATION, 1868. ELKINGTON & CO., REGENT ST., LONDON. Size 28, rarity 5.



1601



1601. Avers: Soldat au centre d'une guirlande de feuilles d'érable. Rev.: PRESENTED BY THE ONTARIO RIFLE ASSOCIATION. IN PACE, PARATUS, 1812-37-66. Diamètre 25, rareté 5. Emise par Ellis & Co.

Two Interesting Mavericks Submitted by Harry N. James

Token collectors often come across a token which has only initials for identification. It is usually difficult and often impossible to get a proper identification of these pieces. The first depicted piece is quite small, 18 mm in diameter. It is made of brass. The obverse has the initials H.W.B. between two designs. What is interesting is on the reverse. It is good for one push. Does this make it some sort of transportation token?

H.W.B.

GOOD FOR / ONE / PUSH

B-R-18



The next piece is also of brass. It is 32 mm in diameter. It appears to be some sort of good luck piece.

THE BUTTER AND EGG MAN / (Depiction of a man astride a cow with two large sacks and a chicken to each side) / COMING TO YOUR TOWN

THE BEARER IS A LIFE MEMBER OF / THE / BROTHERHOOD / OF / BUTTER AND
/ EGG MEN / CRECORY KELLY PRES. / 1000 / STRICTLY FRESH LAUGHS B-R-32



Can any reader help with identification of either of these two pieces?

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